

ABSTRACT

A protective mask for resisting biting by a detainee has a panel of flexible, breathable material shaped to extend across and cover the nose, mouth and cheeks of a wearer and at least one fastener strap extending between the opposite sides of the panel for extending around the back of a wearer's head in order to secure the panel in position across a wearer's face. An elongate bite-resisting strip member is secured to the central region of the inner face of the panel to extend transversely across the mouth. This will resist or prevent biting by the wearer through the material of the panel. A central folded region of the panel creates a space between the panel and the wearer's mouth, the folded region being open at the lower edge of the panel to prevent pooling of vomit or the like within the mask.